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COUNTY BOARD

Meets in Special Session and Hears Encouraging Reports.

Pleasing Programme Arranged For St. Patrick's Day Celebration.

Emmet Slattery Accepts Invitation to Deliver the Address.

MUSICAL AND LITERARY FEATURES

The County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians held a well attended special meeting Monday night to hear reports from the committees arranging for the celebration of St. Patrick's day. President Patrick Sullivan presided and each of the four divisions was represented. This year the celebration will not be on as extensive a scale as in some years, owing to the fact that it was impossible to secure any of the large theaters for the night of March 17. Nevertheless a pleasing programme is being arranged, one that will give entire satisfaction to all who unite with the Hibernians in doing honor to Ireland's patron saint. The announcement that Emmet Slattery has accepted the invitation to deliver the principal address will be hailed with delight by the hosts of friends of that sterling young Irish-American lawyer. Mr. Slattery is an orator of no mean ability, and there is little doubt but that his subject will be ably and eloquently presented. Upon several occasions he has addressed large meetings of the Young Men's Institute upon Catholic topics, always sincere and earnest, the logic of his argument giving evidence of deep thought and study.

President Sullivan stated the purpose for which the meeting had been called and read a letter from Congressman Sherley promising his attention to the bill pending in Congress for the erection of a monument to Commodore Jack Barry, father of the American navy.

Chairman Tynan reported the arrangements thus far made for the celebration of St. Patrick's day, which will take place at Liederkranz Hall. All those who had been requested to take part in the entertainment had cheerfully consented, and the committee promised a programme that would give entire satisfaction. It will be musical and literary in character, consisting of solos, duets, recitations, a grand chorus and the address above alluded to. The price of admission was fixed at twenty-five cents, and tickets will be sold only at the door. Among those on the programme will be some of our best known people, therefore the people should assist in honoring Ireland's patron saint by packing Liederkranz Hall on the night of March 17.

Secretary Pat Welch was instructed to send special notice to every member of the order of the invitation to attend St. Patrick's church in a body on Sunday, March 13, and there approach holy communion. It is the wish of both county and division officers that every Hibernian in Louisville respond to the invitation and be present at the 6:30 mass on the morning indicated.

State President Keenan, when called upon, made quite an interesting talk on the work now being done by the order here and elsewhere. He expressed himself as gratified with what he had heard and complimented the committee for their excellent report. The State executive urged as many as could do so to attend the meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary and give the women all the encouragement possible. On behalf of the committee arranging for the reception of Miss Maud MacCarthy and the concert to be given at the Auditorium on Easter Monday night he invited all present to the general meeting to be held Sunday night. Messrs. Joe Dougherty, State Treasurer George Butler, Joe McGinn and Owen Keenan were among those who took active part in the deliberations, and when the adjournment was taken it was to meet again on Sunday evening, March 13, when all who will take part in the St. Patrick's day celebration will be there to meet the committees and receive their final instructions. This last meeting will be an open one and all who desire to attend may do so. The complete programme for March 17 will appear in next week's issue of the Kentucky Irish American, together with the names of all who will take part.

RELEASED FROM SUFFERING.

A most beautiful Christian life was closed last Sunday morning when Mrs. Patrick Lally, residing at 2214 Portland avenue, passed to her eternal reward, after an illness lasting several months. Her life was one of faith, hope and charity. Deep and strong were her faith and hope, but brighter and broader was her charity—that tender love for God which shone so beautifully in her love for others. This proclaimed her the true Christian lady in the best sense of the word. Mrs. Lally was gentle and refined, possessing the virtues and qualities that go to make the perfect woman. In her home she was a devoted wife and loving mother, while among her friends she was loved

by all who knew her, and her memory will ever breathe the fragrance of her sweet life ended all too soon. Besides her husband, the well known inspector for the Louisville Railway Company, four children survive, and to them we tender heartfelt sympathy. The funeral took place from St. Cecilia's church with high mass of requiem, at which there was a large attendance of mourning friends.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

Sends Conor O'Kelly, M. P., to Organize More Branches.

Conor O'Kelly, member of Parliament for the northern division of Mayo, was due to arrive in New York yesterday to resume the work of organizing branches of the United Irish League throughout the United States. This was the work so effectively begun by William Redmond and continued by Joseph Devlin a year ago. O'Kelly is sent out at the request of the officers of the United Irish League of America, who are desirous of extending the organization in sections of the country where it has not yet been established. Now that the Irish party has placed the home rule issue in the forefront of the programme and intends to make it the supreme question at the general election, which is expected within a few months, it is deemed necessary that the organization in the United States should be placed in the best possible position to render assistance to the Irish party and the United Irish League in Ireland. The selection for the carrying out of the work is an excellent one. O'Kelly lived in America for some years before he was elected to Parliament. He was born at Claremorris, County Mayo, in 1873, and received his education in the national schools of the district and later in Dublin. He is a newspaper man by profession and is a capable and eloquent speaker. O'Kelly was elected a member of the Mayo County Council for the district of Claremorris in April, 1899, immediately after the passage of the local government act of the preceding year. Although one of the youngest, if not the youngest member of the council, he was made its Chairman and has acted in that capacity since. He is President of the South Mayo Executive of the United Irish League and a member of the National Directory of that body. He was elected member of Parliament for North Mayo at the general election of 1900 and has since been acting as one of the Secretaries of the Irish Parliamentary party. Arrangements are being perfected by the officers of the United Irish League in America to enable him to address gatherings of his countrymen all over the United States. He will probably stay a couple of months.

MAN AND BOY

Interesting and Instructive Lecture by Dr. Michael Casper.

The parlors of Mackin Council were packed Monday night when President Shelley introduced Dr. Mich. Casper, who delivered an interesting and instructive lecture, taking for his subject, "Man as Father of the Boy." First illustrating the fact that parents unfortunately do not make companions of their children, he spoke on the difference it would make in the child where the opposite is the course pursued. Their little minds, he said, develop earlier than the average man gives credit for, and when they begin their innocent inquiries parents should answer very carefully and always truthfully, as the impressions then made were the most lasting. The policy of deceiving children is too often indulged in and with direful results, and the knowledge that later comes to boys through street corner associates is largely responsible for the physical and mental wreckage of many young men. His address received very close attention throughout and was given generous applause.

One new member was obligated and three applications received. Clarence Zook announced that the next lecture would be given on Monday, March 28. Henry Lichtefeld was reported well, leaving none on the sick list. There was no business of public importance, but after Lent it is expected the new administration will get down to work and stir things up for the new building and other improvements.

JEFFERSONVILLE.

The Hibernians of Jeffersonville will have a big celebration on St. Patrick's day. A feature will be the reappearance of the Hibernian Dramatic Club, presenting an Irish drama in the evening. For some weeks rehearsals have been held, and the company, composed of well known and talented young women, will give a performance that will be well worth witnessing. The Jeffersonville division has generously donated the proceeds to the building fund of St. Augustine's church, which was some time ago destroyed by fire. A bazaar will be held for the church at Speith's Theater the last two weeks in April.

GREATLY PLEASED.

Miss Katie Smith, who removed from Louisville to San Francisco last year writes friends here that she is greatly pleased with the Golden Gate city. She has a fine position and delightful surroundings, and it is not likely that she will soon visit Kentucky.

ENCOURAGING

Meeting to Arrange For Coming of Irish Queen of Violin.

Indications That Hibernians Will Fill Auditorium April 4.

Thomas Walsh Elected Chairman and Miss O'Connell Secretary.

ANOTHER MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT

In response to the announcement in last week's Kentucky Irish American there was a splendid gathering at Hibernian Hall on Sunday afternoon. The assemblage was called to order by County President Patrick Sullivan, who stated that the meeting had been called by the Executive Committee having charge of the Maud MacCarthy musicale, and that as nearly all the local Catholic societies had representatives present he would entertain a motion for the election of a Chairman.

Thomas Walsh, the well known lawyer, was placed in nomination by Deputy Bailiff Mike Tynan, his election being unanimous. Miss Ella O'Connell, Recording Secretary of the Ladies' Auxiliary, was elected Secretary. Chairman Walsh in a few well chosen words thanked those present for the honor bestowed upon him, and then requested County President Sullivan to state the progress made by the various committees in charge of the entertainment.

The County President told how everything was being arranged for the musicale, which was under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and for the benefit of the orphans. The Auditorium had been secured, tickets were being distributed and sold rapidly and the committees were meeting regularly. The Executive Committee, he said, was in receipt of numerous testimonials and favorable musical criticisms of the performances of Miss MacCarthy, and it was evident she had earned the title of "Irish Queen of the Violin." This meeting was to arouse enthusiasm and to hear suggestions from those present, so that the Irish-Americans of this city and all others who were anxious to assist the Hibernians in raising a sum of money for the orphans could pack the Auditorium on Easter Monday night as it had never been filled before. It was his opinion that the Louisville Catholics would demonstrate by their presence their appreciation of their presence their appreciation of the first-class musical entertainment. The Hibernians had the approval of the clergy, some of whom would have been present but for the afternoon services.

Chairman Walsh told how the entertainment was first thought of by one of our leading clergymen; that the Hibernians had been honored by being requested to have it under their management; that some of the priests were taking an active interest and were meeting regularly with the Executive Committee. State Secretary William T. Meehan, the next speaker, aroused considerable enthusiasm, and related how it happened that Kentucky would be honored by a visit from the famous artist. He also told how she had been received in Boston and the reception arranged in her honor by the Mayor and leading men and women of that city. In conclusion he urged all to take an active interest in the arrangements and to endeavor to prove it by more than filling the Auditorium and show that the Irish people have a love for music, that they are glad to honor the talented young lady from the Emerald Isle and at the same time help the orphans.

Deputy Bailiff Mike Tynan offered some good suggestions regarding the sale of tickets for such a charitable purpose. Through his official duties he comes in contact with many sad cases, where children are destitute when made orphans. These are turned over to the Board of Children's Guardians and are then presented to the Very Rev. Father Cronin, who arranges for their admission to either St. Thomas' or St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum.

State Treasurer George Butler declared that all signs indicated a grand success. There was already a great demand for box and reserved seats, which could be secured for the tickets now being sold.

Miss Maggie Coughlin, one of the most active members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order, when asked for an expression of her views concerning the musicale and concert, replied that never before had she attempted to make a speech, but would say she had never known the Hibernians to make a failure of any work they had undertaken, and was sure they would not in this instance. She thought the prices were reasonable, that the entertainment would be well attended and offered the suggestion, which was heartily concurred in, that it would be very appropriate for the Ladies' Auxiliary to arrange to entertain Miss MacCarthy while in Louisville and show her Kentucky Irish hospitality. The last suggestion met with much applause.

Miss Ella O'Connell, the efficient and painstaking Secretary, concurred with Miss Coughlin, and said she knew the ladies of their auxiliary would assist in every way in their power to make the

affair both a social and financial success. Miss Lillie Callahan, the Vice President, Miss Anna Ribb and others of the auxiliary were called upon and expressed themselves greatly interested. Their work will soon be manifest to the Executive Committee.

John Hennessey, President of Division 4, expressed surprise that there was not a larger gathering, but was glad to note that the ladies from his part of the city were there in large numbers, and declared he was sure Limerick would be well represented at the Auditorium on Easter Monday night.

Joe Cooney, Vice President Division 3, was of opinion that the matter had been thoroughly discussed, that the time for words was passed, that it was now the time for action and the sale of tickets. State President Keenan and Martin Cusick, who were late in arriving, were received with generous applause. Both responded with spirited and cheering talks. Messrs. William C. Smith, Patrick Liston, Peter Cusick, John McCue, Joe Doherty and Capt. Jerry Hallihan were called upon and expressed their views. All the speakers were generously applauded, and if the meeting lacked anything in numbers it was made up in enthusiasm and kind words for the orphans.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned to meet tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, and all ladies and gentlemen of the city are extended a cordial invitation to be present.

MEETS WITH FAVOR.

Movement to Organize Irish Choral Society Takes Shape.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was held Wednesday night, Miss Mary Cavanaugh presiding. The movement to organize an Irish-American choral society was given new impetus, and meetings will be held for that purpose until a class of at least fifty good voices is secured.

Miss Maggie Coughlin reported the proceedings of last Sunday's general meeting, urging a big attendance at the one to be held tomorrow night, and created much merriment by calling the attention of the young ladies to the Leap Year privileges they enjoyed. Mrs. Joseph Cunningham pointed out the benefits to be derived from more frequent open social meetings, and made a number of wise suggestions. The three local State officers were present and had kind words for the ladies. Treasurer Butler distributed tickets for the concert for the orphans, and Will Meehan expressed the hope that the ladies would tender Miss MacCarthy a formal reception during her visit. The remarks of Presidents Keenan and Sullivan were also well received. When the business of the evening had been finished Miss Julia Kelly proceeded to the piano and vocal and instrumental solos were rendered by Mrs. Joe Cunningham, Miss Mary Corcoran, Miss Julia Kelly and attorney Thomas Walsh. The meeting was an enjoyable one and adjourned at about the same hour that the divisions do.

CINCINNATI

Suggested For Great Gathering of Young Men's Institute.

Council 164 has appointed a committee of five to work in co-operation with the committee of Council 163 in connection with the recently suggested central initiative. Cincinnati is the most advantageous point for the proposed gathering. Louisville, Terre Haute, Indianapolis, Wapakoneta, Zanesville, Pittsburgh and vicinity, Lexington and Frankfort form the outer line of a territory from which cheap excursion rates on Sunday can be secured into Cincinnati, and inside this territory there are a great many councils of Young Men's Institute. It has been suggested that each council will have its candidates prepared for initiation into the second and third degrees, and this the local committee will discuss in detail. Expressions so far made are favorable to the affair. As the convention of the Ohio jurisdiction takes place this year in Rosnoke, councils in the jurisdiction will be free to give the movement their heartiest support. The dates for the convention of the Kentucky jurisdiction and the Indiana jurisdiction can be noted to prevent a competition of interest between both events.

RESIGNS AS MATRON.

Miss Elenora Schaulie, for the past year the efficient and popular matron of the Catholic Woman's Club, retired from active work Tuesday, having declined to accept the place for another year. The club is greatly indebted to her for its success, and the members are all glad that, while her connection will not be active, she will still be interested in its work and welfare. Reports submitted at the annual meeting were very gratifying, and all indications point to another successful year. The ladies are resting now, but there will be something doing after Lent.

PROUD FATHER.

There is no prouder man in the West than John A. Nelligan, who has been deluged with congratulations on the arrival of a young son, the perfect image of his genial and handsome papa.

WORLD WONDER

For Many Years Will Be the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Brief History of Enterprise For Kentucky Irish American Readers.

Steady Vote Being Cast in Our Great Popularity Trip Contest.

STATE RETURNS WILL SOON ARRIVE

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition to be held in St. Louis, beginning April 30 and continuing until the end of December of this year, will be the greatest exhibit ever held in the world. It will eclipse the Chicago Exposition of 1893 in every way—in point of magnitude, attendance, extent of exhibits and in every detail—making the Chicago Exposition look small. This statement is not made without advisement. Commissioners from every State in the Union, from foreign countries and from every nation in the civilized world have said, after looking over the St. Louis Exposition grounds and buildings, that the coming show will be the wonder of the world for many years to come and that nothing like it will probably be attempted again for a century.

The Kentucky Irish American wants its readers to appreciate the magnitude of this great enterprise whether they participate in its prize contest or not, and a brief history of the aims and objects of the fair will no doubt be interesting and instructive, as many people do not understand why the fair is being given. Everybody knows that the Chicago fair was to commemorate the discovery of America by Columbus.

The St. Louis Fair is to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of the purchase of the so-called Louisiana Territory by the United States from France. Few people know that from the territory thus acquired under this purchase fourteen States and Territories have been carved. All this was accomplished without bloodshed. The States and territories now in the Union and acquired through the purchase are Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, part of Minnesota, Wyoming, Indian Territory, South Dakota, Nebraska, Louisiana, Montana, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado and North Dakota. For this vast territory the United States paid Napoleon \$15,000,000.

The St. Louis Exposition will entail an expenditure of at least \$60,000,000 or about four times as much as was paid for the entire territory acquired under the purchase.

The Exposition grounds cover over 1,200 acres. This is enormous when considered in comparison with former world's fair exhibits. The Chicago Exposition, which was considered the wonder of the world, only covered 633 acres, and the Paris Exposition of 1900 only 336 acres. The St. Louis Exposition will have under roof 128 acres of floor space, compared with Chicago's twenty-eight acres.

There are so many other things to be said about the St. Louis World's Fair that it might be considered superfluous and would take up many columns to describe. It is not necessary now to enter into things.

The Kentucky Irish American is particularly gratified, however, to note that the State of Kentucky is officially represented at the fair, and has one of the finest buildings on the Exhibition grounds. The exhibit of Kentucky at this fair will be a credit to the State, and visitors from Louisville and the State at large will be proud of the high position taken by the Commonwealth.

The Kentucky Irish American is willing to send some of its readers to this fair free of charge. With each subscription received you can cast fifty votes for the man and wife, single lady or single gentleman of your choice, and those receiving the highest number will be given railroad fare and a week at the Lindell Hotel free of cost. The contest will not close till July 4, so that all have an equal chance to win the great prize. Begin now to get new subscribers, and every dollar paid in entitles the voter to fifty ballots. A big vote will soon arrive from Covington, Lexington, Frankfort, Henderson, Paducah, Bowling Green, Winchester, Owensboro and other cities, and some startling surprises may result.

The contestants this week stand in the following order:

MARRIED COUPLE.	
John H. Hennessey and wife.....	2,211
Dan McKenna and wife.....	1,876
Michael Reichert and wife.....	650
John J. Sullivan and wife.....	400
John J. McGurk and wife.....	400
Joseph P. McGinn and wife.....	300
Thomas Dolan and wife.....	300
Dave Burke and wife.....	200
Thomas D. Claire and wife.....	150
John McGehee and wife.....	100
W. G. O'Rourke and wife.....	100
Pat F. McCarthy and wife.....	50
Harry Brady and wife.....	50
SINGLE LADY.	
Mary Foley.....	454
Alice Walsh.....	300
Mamie Kelly.....	221
Margaret Norton.....	200
Catherine Cousadeau.....	150

Julia Kelly.....	150
Margaret Tobin.....	100
Mary Cavanaugh.....	50

SINGLE GENTLEMAN.	
Lient, Tom Fitzgibbons.....	4,054
Frank McDonogh.....	2,612
Charles Raidy.....	550
John Cavanaugh.....	400
Tom Camfield.....	350
John Crotty.....	150
James Hand.....	150
Ed Toomey.....	150
Louis Dugan.....	150
Tom Furlong.....	100
Ed Dalton.....	50
Will McNally.....	50
George Percy Wells.....	21

WAYS AND MEANS

Suggested to Increase Membership of Catholic Knights.

Tuesday night the newly appointed Membership Committee of the Central Committee held its first meeting, those present being Supreme Trustee Joe McGinn, State President Harry Veenema, State Secretary John Score, Peter Reising, of New Albany, and Albert Martin, Secretary of the Central Committee. William M. Higgins being the absent member. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing and suggesting ways and means to increase the membership of the Catholic Knights of America in Louisville and Kentucky.

Just now a number of the Louisville branches are gaining new members, and there is every likelihood that Kentucky will show a net gain at the next State convention, notwithstanding the heavy death rate of the past year. After full discussion it was decided to recommend that branches hold frequent social public meetings, when the objects and work of the great Catholic fraternal organization could be more fully set forth to those who are carrying no insurance for their wives and children.

Another suggestion that met with hearty approval was that hereafter all initiations take place at the meetings of the Central Committee, and that the obligation be conferred in accordance with the ritual adopted by the Supreme Council. The committee appears to have gone to work in earnest, and it is almost certain its recommendations will be concurred in at the Central Committee meeting next Friday night.

BANQUET AND REUNION

The Trinity Council Members Looking Forward to a Great Event.

The annual banquet and reunion of Trinity Council, the great event of the year in Young Men's Institute circles, will take place this year on Thursday night, April 7, and the members are looking forward to that date with no little interest. The list of toasts is being arranged, and among those who will respond are some of our best known and most eloquent gentlemen. The committee in charge have had experience and will strive to make this affair the greatest in the history of the council. It is expected covers will be laid for about 300 persons.

Trinity Council held its usual weekly meeting Monday night, President Cooney presiding and a large number of members present. Two applications were received and referred and the usual amount of routine business was transacted. Joseph Piazza delivered his address on "Coffee," and was warmly congratulated for the information he imparted. He handled his subject ably and well, and made plain to his hearers that what he did not know about this great morning beverage was of no value. And besides he told how the wife could make coffee that would keep the husband in good humor all the day.

Next Monday evening the address will be delivered by Frank A. Lenz, the well known German lawyer. His subject has not yet been announced, but there will doubtless be a large number present to hear him.

MOURN HER DEATH.

Like the rosebud glistening with diamond dewdrops, unfolding its beauteous leaves to catch the kiss of the morning sunshine, but ruthlessly crushed by the despoiler's hand ere it reached the fullness of its bloom, was the untimely death of Miss Mary Glenn, which occurred Monday morning at the home of her father, Michael Glenn, Twelfth street. Young and beautiful, with all those priceless gifts of heart and mind that make one charming, she was quiet and reserved, caring naught for anything in this world but to give pleasure to those she loved so devotedly. A true Christian, she was most edifying at all times and was a beautiful model for young ladies. A devoted Child of Mary, the diamond of maidenly modesty so rare shone brilliantly on her chaste brow and formed the grandest adornment of her beautiful character. True to all the relations of life, she was a devoted daughter, an affectionate sister, a kind and trusted friend—a credit to her name and an honor to the church which she loved so well. As the rose is sweetest when crushed, her memory will shine all the brighter for the gloom of her absence, as a star illumining the darkness of a stormy night. Her funeral was one of the largest seen at the Sacred Heart church for some time. Father Walsh celebrated the solemn mass of requiem and preached a sermon that was consolatory to the bereaved relatives.

THE LAW

And Its Application to Question of Free School Books.

Kentucky Statutes Make Ample Provision For Indigent Children.

Better to Buy Bread and Coal For the Suffering Poor.

CHANGE WOULD WORK AN INJUSTICE

The bill introduced into the Legislature to make the taxpayers of the city of Louisville pay \$15,000 a year for school books for children attending the public schools is an extraordinary and reprehensible attempt to provide a "graft" for some school book publisher and to bribe pupils to leave private schools. The law already provides that books shall be furnished free to needy and indigent children. The Kentucky statutes, section 4,405, provides as follows:

"It shall be the duty of each County Superintendent, before the opening of the schools each year, and from time to time, by personal observation or from Trustees and teachers and otherwise, to ascertain the number and cost of text books upon each of the common school branches needed by the indigent children of each district and of the county for use in the common schools, and shall report to the County Judge the number and kind of books needed, when the County Judge shall purchase the books and pay for them by an allowance made by the Fiscal Court of the county; the County Judge shall turn them over to the County Superintendent for distribution, taking receipt for the number and value of the books, but the cost of said books shall not exceed in the aggregate \$100 in any county per annum. It is hereby made the special duty of the County and City School Superintendent of common school to report to the County Judge the names of all such indigent children furnished them by Trustees, and to see that the provisions of this section are faithfully executed."

No child therefore can now be excluded from the schools for want of books. That is far enough for the taxpayers to go. To give free books to the children of the rich and to others abundantly able to buy books at the expense of the taxpayers is simply outrageous. Somebody with a sinister hidden purpose or some greedy corporation must have started this scheme and must have imposed upon those who have presented it to the Legislature.

Every man that pays the rent of a house indirectly pays the taxes on the house. The landlord includes the taxes and repairs in the rent. Hence the poorest people are paying taxes even if they do not know it. Nine-tenths of the taxes are paid by poor people. To make such people buy books for the rich or for people with ample means to buy their own books is outrageous injustice. It would be just as reasonable for the poor to buy the clothes and shoes of rich children. There is a good argument for making education free to all without discrimination, but there is no argument for giving clothes, shoes or books to the children of parents well able to pay for such things. It would be better to spend \$15,000 a year to buy bread, coal and raiment for the suffering poor than to spend that money in buying books for children that already live on the fat of the land.

This bill, if not pressed by greedy corporations that manufacture books for profit, must be pressed by bigoted men who want to close private schools. It is a mean and cowardly blow aimed at the Catholic schools. It is an attempt to bribe Catholics to leave their own schools, supported by their own money, and to come to schools where all sorts of "goodies" are passed around free to poor and rich mainly at the expense of the poor tax payers of the city. Catholics now, in obedience to their conscience, submit to a double tax to give their children a Christian education of their own liking; to ask them also to buy books not for the indigent, who get them free, but for the rich, who can buy all they want, would be a shameful injustice. City taxes are already heavy enough. To increase them needlessly would be a great wrong.

As was stated in last week's issue, the measure is doomed, not enough time now remaining to enact it into law.

HEARTILY RECEIVED.

Division 1 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Jeffersonville held a rousing meeting Tuesday night and were given a surprise visit by the State President and State Treasurer of Kentucky, Thomas Keenan and George J. Butler. The visitors were given a hearty welcome by President Gleason and the members and were interested in all that transpired. They say the Jeffersonville division is an energetic and up to date body of men, and is not behind any of those in the Falls City. Announcement was made of the great Irish musicale on Easter Monday night, and the invitation they presented was accepted by unanimous vote.